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Serial No. 10/660,165	
Filing Date: September 10, 2003	
For: SOFT MAGNETIC FILM AND THIN FILM MAGNETIC HEAD USING THE SAME	)

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Dear Sir:

Pursuant to the obligation under 37 C.F.R. 1.56 and in conformance with 37 C.F.R. 1.97-1.99, Applicant hereby submits references B1-B6 listed on the attached form PTO-1449 for consideration by the Examiner. Copies of the references are enclosed herewith.

In conformance with 37 C.F.R. 1.97, Applicant states that each item of information contained herein was first cited in a communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application not more than three months prior to the filing of the supplemental information disclosure statement. Also enclosed is a copy of the British Search Report that issued on December 16, 2003 for the corresponding British Patent Application No. 0321138.0 of the above-identified application.

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No fees are believed to be due in connection with filing of this Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement, however, should any fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 to 1.21 be deemed necessary for any reason relating to this material, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to deduct said fees from Brinks Hofer Gilson & Lione Deposit Account No. 23-1925.

Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner review the entire disclosure of these documents and make them of record.

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